LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY OFFICE OF FISCAL AND MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 8055 DATE PREPARED: Jan 10, 2001

BILL NUMBER: HB 2049 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Legal Actions Involving Firearms.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State & Local

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> This bill prohibits the state or a municipal corporation, including a county, municipality, township, school corporation, or any other separate local governmental entity that may sue and be sued, from bringing an action against a firearms or ammunition manufacturer, trade association, or seller for: (1) recovery of damages resulting from, or injunctive relief or abatement of a nuisance relating to, the lawful design, manufacture, marketing, or sale of a firearm or ammunition for a firearm; or (2) recovery of damages resulting from the criminal or unlawful misuse of a firearm or ammunition for a firearm by a third party.

Effective Date: July 1, 2001.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues: This bill precludes the possibility of potential revenue generated as a result of a successful tort action brought by the state against a firearms or ammunition manufacturer, trade association, or seller.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

<u>Explanation of Local Revenues:</u> The bill also precludes local units of government from receiving revenue as a result of successful tort actions against a firearms or ammunition manufacturer, trade association, or seller.

State Agencies Affected: Office of the Attorney General.

Local Agencies Affected: All local governments that may sue or be sued.

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Information Sources:

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